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Francis L. Garing; Client Ref. [34-63(52321)]
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Commissioner:

Transmitted herewith for filing are:

1. A Response to Final Office Action Dated January 23, 2003, with Appendix A;
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